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Examiner

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-- The MAILING DATE of this communication appears on the cover sheet with the correspondence address --

THE REPLY FILED Jul 8, 2002 FAILS TO PLACE THIS APPLICATION IN CONDITION FOR ALLOWANCE.

Therefore, further action by the applicant is required to avoid the abandonment of this application. A proper reply to a final rejection under 37 CFR 1.113 may only be either: (1) a timely filed amendment which places the application in condition for allowance; (2) a timely filed Notice of Appeal (with appeal fee); or (3) a timely filed Request for Continued Examination (RCE) in compliance with 37 CFR 1.114.

THE PERIOD FOR REPLY [check only a) or b)]

- a) The period for reply expires three months from the mailing date of the final rejection.
- b) The period for reply expires on: (1) the mailing date of this Advisory Action, or (2) the date set forth in the final rejection, whichever is later. In no event, however, will the statutory period for reply expire later than SIX MONTHS from the mailing date of the final rejection. ONLY CHECK THIS BOX WHEN THE FIRST REPLY WAS FILED WITHIN TWO MONTHS OF THE FINAL REJECTION. See MPEP 706.07(f).

Extensions of time may be obtained under 37 CFR 1.136(a). The date on which the petition under 37 CFR 1.136(a) and the appropriate extension fee have been filed is the date for purposes of determining the period of extension and the corresponding amount of the fee. The appropriate extension fee under 37 CFR 1.17(a) is calculated from: (1) the expiration date of the shortened statutory period for reply originally set in the final Office action; or (2) as set forth in (b) above, if checked. Any reply received by the Office later than three months after the mailing date of the final rejection, even if timely filed, may reduce any earned patent term adjustment. See 37 CFR 1.704(b).

1. A Notice of Appeal was filed on _____ . Appellant's Brief must be filed within the period set forth in 37 CFR 1.192(a), or any extension thereof (37 CFR 1.191(d)), to avoid dismissal of the appeal.
2. The proposed amendment(s) will not be entered because:
- (a) they raise new issues that would require further consideration and/or search (see NOTE below);
 - (b) they raise the issue of new matter (see NOTE below);
 - (c) they are not deemed to place the application in better form for appeal by materially reducing or simplifying the issues for appeal; and/or
 - (d) they present additional claims without canceling a corresponding number of finally rejected claims.

NOTE: _____

3. Applicant's reply has overcome the following rejection(s):

4. Newly proposed or amended claim(s) _____ would be allowable if submitted in a separate, timely filed amendment canceling the non-allowable claim(s).

5. The a) affidavit, b) exhibit, or c) request for reconsideration has been considered but does NOT place the application in condition for allowance because:
Applicant's arguments are not persuasive (see Attachment).

6. The affidavit or exhibit will NOT be considered because it is not directed SOLELY to issues which were newly raised by the Examiner in the final rejection.

7. For purposes of Appeal, the proposed amendment(s) a) will not be entered or b) will be entered and an explanation of how the new or amended claims would be rejected is provided below or appended.

The status of the claim(s) is (or will be) as follows:

Claim(s) allowed: None

Claim(s) objected to: None

Claim(s) rejected: 2-4, 6-10, 14-16, and 21-29

Claim(s) withdrawn from consideration: _____

8. The proposed drawing correction filed on _____ is a) approved or b) disapproved by the Examiner.

9. Note the attached Information Disclosure Statement(s) (PTO-1449) Paper No(s). _____

10. Other: _____

[Signature]

Attachment to Advisory Action

1. This office action is in response to the amendment after final filed on July 08, 2002. Applicant's request for consideration has been fully considered but they are not persuasive because of the following reasons : Flowers clearly teaches a font sharing system in which data can be communicated between a client computer and a server, the client computer comprising means for selecting a font (i.e., the client or the user at the client selects a font from the list) [see Abstract, Col. 8, Lines 54-65 and Col. 9, Line 30 - Col. 10, Line 12], font preview data storage determination means for determining whether font preview data, which is for displaying a representative character having a font selected by the font selecting means, has been stored (i.e., checking property lists and catalogs) [see Col. 3, Lines 17-30 and Col. 4, Line 50 - Col. 5, Line 16 and Col. 12, Lines 13-21], display control means for controlling a display device so as to display, on a display screen, the representative character represented by the font preview data in response to a determination by the font preview data storage determination means that the font preview data has been stored; and means for transmitting to the server a request to transmit the font preview data in response to a determination by the font preview data storage determination means that the font preview data has not been stored (i.e., printing or displaying font-related information in property lists and catalogs) [see Col. 12, Lines 5-21]. Flowers further teaches the server including font preview data transmitting means for transmitting the font preview data to the client computer in response to the font preview data transmission request transmitted from the client computer (i.e., the server supplies to the client a list of all catalogues and a list of fonts) [see Col. 9, Lines 30-36].

In summary, the examiner asserts that the cited prior art (Flowers, Jr. et al,US.Pat. No. 5,533,174) teaches or suggests a method and system of a font sharing system in which data can be communicated between a client computer and a server as broadly claimed and recited in various independent claims. Claims 2-4, 6-10 and 14-16 are also rejected at least by virtue of their dependency on independent claims and by other reasons set forth in the previous office action [see Paper No. 6]. Applicants clearly have still failed to disclose the novelty of the invention and explicitly identify specific claim limitations which would define a patentable distinction over prior art. Accordingly, rejections for claims 2-4, 6-10, 14-16 and 21-29 are respectfully maintained.

2. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Philip Tran whose telephone number is (703) 308-8767. The Group fax phone number is (703) 746-7239.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Ayaz R. Sheikh, can be reached on (703) 305-9648.

Any inquiry of a general nature or relating to the status of this application should be directed to the Group receptionist whose telephone number is (703) 305-3900.

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